

## MINUTES

MEETING OF: CARLSBAD ARTS COMMISSION  
DATE OF MEETING: Thursday, Oct. 6, 2016  
PLACE OF MEETING: Carlsbad City Library Board Room  
1775 Dove Lane  
Carlsbad, CA

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### CALL TO ORDER:

Chair Aaron Alter called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m.

### ROLL CALL:

Present: Commissioners Alter, Barker, Breslaw, Jadhav, & Schmidt  
Absent: Markovits & White  
Staff: Library & Cultural Arts Director Heather Pizzuto via phone; Gallery Curator Karen McGuire; Community Arts Coordinator Megan Gilby

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The minutes of the Sep. 1, 2016 meeting were approved. (5-0-2)

### LIBRARY & CULTURAL ARTS DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Arts Consulting Group (ACG) has completed screening and interviews for the cultural arts manager position. There is a scheduled meeting with ACG on Oct. 17, 2016 to review a short list of candidates being considered for finalist interviews in Carlsbad.

[Announcements were moved up in the agenda to follow the director's report after which she concluded the call]

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

Committee Appointments were announced for the following-  
Arts Advisory Committee: Commissioners Barker and Breslaw  
Community Arts Grants Peer Review Panel for 2017 Awards: Commissioners Jadhav and Schmidt  
Gallery Advisory Committee: Commissioners Alter, Markovits & White

The regular Nov. arts commission meeting will be adjusted to precede an orientation/ training for the Arts Commission and Library Board, tentatively scheduled for Nov. 17, 2016. The city clerk and city attorney will present the training. Both meetings will conclude before 12:30 p.m.

### DISCUSSION ITEMS

#### Pine Avenue Community Park Public Art Update

Gallery Curator reported that Jenna Didier presented her process and history at a community meeting at the Carlsbad Senior Center on Sept. 12. Attendees were asked for their feedback about what makes Carlsbad and Pine Avenue Park and the neighborhood special and different. The community provided feedback which Didier is now using to develop a concept for presentation to the arts advisory committee on Oct. 27. Didier will return to meet with members of the community and gain their perspectives as she finalizes her draft concept design for presentation to the Arts Commission.

Commissioners expressed a desire to have descriptions of artwork and artists near all public art pieces. Currently some public art pieces do not offer plaques or other descriptive material.

#### Visual Arts Overview

Gallery Curator Karen McGuire gave the commissioners an overview of the visual arts in the City of Carlsbad. The William D. Cannon Art Gallery was opened in 1999 and has presented 85 exhibitions. Annually 36,000 people visit the gallery and 6,500 participate in the arts education programs at the gallery. The gallery presents national quality exhibitions with a regional focus.

The Carlsbad Sculpture Garden generally presents local artists, and exhibitions change out approximately every 6 months. The current exhibition *In Our Own Backyard* presents artists John Dupree and Clyde Wickham and will run through April 2017.

Foreign Film Fridays occurs twice monthly autumn through spring and attendance is near capacity at each showing.

The Art in Public Places program has resulted in 100 works of art in Carlsbad. Currently two projects are in progress for art which is scheduled to be installed in Aviara and Pine Avenue Community Parks in 2017.

### CHAIR'S REPORT

Chair Alter appreciated the annual boards and commissions event hosted by the city. He also attended the Pine Avenue Park community engagement meeting.

### FRIENDS OF THE ARTS REPORT

The Friends of the Arts meet and greet event is going to be held on Oct. 21, 2016 at the gallery and Gowland Meeting Room. Commissioners are invited to attend and wear their name badges.

COMMISSION COMMENTS

One commissioner attended an event at New Village Arts Theatre, which has received a community arts grant from the City of Carlsbad, and recommended attendance to the other commissioners due to the high quality of the productions performed.

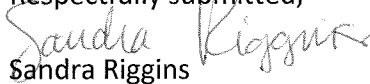
PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Alter adjourned the meeting at 11:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Sandra Riggins

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